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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Divisional of Application Serial No. 09/192,303 of Manabu DEGUCHI  
PORTABLE COMMUNICATION APPARATUS  
**Assignee: NEC CORPORATION**  
Our Ref: Q66258

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/192,303 (Confirmation Number not yet assigned) filed November 17, 1998 of Manabu DEGUCHI entitled PORTABLE COMMUNICATION APPARATUS.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 8 sheets of drawings as filed with the original parent application, 8 sheets of formal drawings as filed October 31, 2000 in parent application 09/192,303, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and a Form PTO-1449 listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the parent application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2642.

Priority is claimed from November 17, 1997 based on JP Application No. 332417/1997. The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 09/192,303.

A Preliminary Amendment is being submitted herewith.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>7</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u></u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>2</u>	-	<u>3</u>	=	<u></u>	x	\$84.00	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
Base Fee									\$740.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>									<b>\$740.00</b>

A check for the statutory fee of \$740.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire



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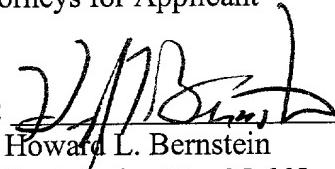
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pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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